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SUBJECT: DEFECTION OF SURINAME PERMREP IN NEW YORK

1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. SURINAME AMBASSADOR AND PERMREP IN NEW YORK
INDERDEW SEWRAUSING APPEARED IN DELEGATES' LOUNGE
AT GENEVA PALAIS DES NATIONS MORNING FEBRUARY 14,
AND TOLD GHANIAN DEPUTY PERMREP (AND GHANIAN
REPRESENTATIVE IN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION) JONAS
K. D. FOLI THAT HE HAD RESIGNED HIS POST AND RESIGNED
FROM THE SURINAME FOREIGN SERVICE. SEWRAUSING
TOLD FOLI (WHO WAS AT THAT TIME IN CONVERSATION
WITH U.S. MISSION OFFICER) THAT HE COULD NEVER
RETURN; THAT THE SITUATION IN SURINAME WAS
TRAGIC; AND THAT HE HOPED TO FIND A WAY TO BRING
THE SITUATION IN HIS COUNTRY TO THE ATTENTION OF
THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION.

3. USDEL OFFICER TOLD SEWRAUSING THAT DELEGATION
AND MISSION WOULD PROVIDE WHATEVER ASSISTANCE
POSSIBLE. WE HAVE SINCE LEARNED THAT SEWRAUSING
HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH NETHERLANDS DELEGATION.

4. FOLLOWING CONVERSATION, GHANIAN REF FOLI
COMMENTED, SADLY, THAT SITUATION IN SURINAME

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REMINDED HIM OF SITUATION IN HIS OWN COUNTRY.

FOLI SEEMED GENUINELY MOVED BY SEWRAJSING'S
REPORT. SWAERE

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